

TRUSTEES PLAN GREAT MEDICAL

COLLEGE HER

mined to Make School Finest in South.

MANY SURPRISES AT BOARD MEETING

Enthusiasm of Faculty and Students Aroused by Trustees In

for New U. C. M.
Building Will Cost

In many respects exceeding the hopes of even the most optimistic student or professor, official and eagerly awaited announcements made at the final session of the board of trustees of the University College of Medicine held last night definitely insure the early establishment in Richmond of a school that will stand first among

Southern institutions of its kind, and that, except in the matter of mere size, it will rank on an equal footing with

Working quietly but thoroughly and keeping its own counsel until the last moment, the board, composed of experienced business men without a director in the lot, for the first time show

its real hand and comes forth with completed and well-matured plans that contain a series of agreeable surprises not only for the friends of the college

not only for the friends of the cause but for the major portion of the supposedly well-posted teaching staff itself. Probably half a dozen of the physicians, composing an advisory committee, were aware of the pre-nature of the expected announcement; the remainder, along with the student body as a whole, have industriously guessed and guessed, but invariably

low, as the issue shows. The school will be bigger and better than any of them thought.

Frequently disregarding the modest proposals of the faculty, which some time ago turned over to them the whole business end of the undertaking, the trustees, confident of the continued co-operation of the citizens at large,

insisted on ambitious plans, and night proceeded to award contract this basis and otherwise to dispose all unsettled questions as to the future of the institution. Work, delayed by unavoidable conditions, now begin and will be pushed as rapidly as the winter season will permit. Bricks could be laid with enthusiasm instead of mortar, the building would be ready for occupancy to-morrow.

months yet, but before the first session of the next session ends the col will be moved bodily from its tem

Numerous bids were considered, contract finally going to J. T. Nuck of Richmond, for a four-story building according to plans drawn by No-

and Baskervill, of this city. The general exterior design has not been altered from that previously described, but several changes were ordered in the matter of materials and construction. Among the most important the latter is the decision of the board to be satisfied with nothing less than an absolutely fire-proof structure.

This means more money, but the t
tees were unwilling to risk any
way measures in this respect.

made to the equipment, the bill will cost approximately \$135,000. It will stand on the site of the old college, 90 by 131 feet, at Twelfth and Clay Streets. The base will be

granite ashlar and the remainder repressed red brick and concrete. The trimmings of Indiana limestone. The front elevation will present a very attractive appearance, containing in addition to the main doors, an area with a balustrade of Indiana limestone and with an entrance for w

A conspicuous feature from the side will be the rows of big windows ten by eight and one-half feet—on second, third and fourth floors.

On the first floor will be the dispensaries, provision for which

be unusually complete. Separate departments will be set aside for general medicine, diseases of the eye, ear

throat diseases of children, genito-
ary diseases, gynecology, general
gery and nervous and mental dise-
There will be an X-ray room and
laboratory of clinical pathology
use in the free dispensary work.

departments of surgery and gynecology will be situated in the court facing the Virginia Hospital, and consist of two operating rooms, four treatment rooms, with an anæsthetizing room in the centre.

floor will also contain a large smoking room for the students, lavatory, shower baths, about 200 lockers, a storage room, the vat room, an electric elevator, and vaults for the large records.

Statue of Dr. McGulre.
The executive offices will be on second floor along with the library, five class rooms, dark room for photographing purposes, stereograph camera, typewriter, and a

room, dental infirmary and laboratories. The main stairway begins on this floor, which is on a level with the street. At the top of the first land of the stairway, about six feet above the lobby floor and facing the

Several of the chief laboratories
be situated on the third floor—

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